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DRIP IRRIGATION SCHEME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has prepared or proposes to prepare any action plan for Drip Irrigation Scheme under Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the targets fixed alongwith the extent to which that have been achieved last year, state-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to increase the allocation of funds to states keeping in view the utilization of allocated funds during the previous years for the purpose; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation, which was launched during 2005-06 (January, 2006), the implementing agencies identified by the State Governments prepare Annual Action Plan for taking up Drip and Sprinkler Irrigation and 50% of the system cost is provided as subsidy out of which, 40% is borne by the Central Government and 10% by the State Government. The remaining 50% is borne by the beneficiary either through his/her own resources or soft loan from financial institutions.

(c): The State-wise physical and financial target and achievement for the last year is given at Annexure I.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. The Government has increased the allocation for the current year (2007-08) to Rs. 550 crore as compared to Rs. 280 crore during 2005-06 and Rs. 520 crore during 2006-07.